

Calendar for February 1954 showing days of the week and dates.

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ASUS Meeting On Constitution

For the first time in three years, the Arts and Science Undergraduate Society is holding an open meeting Wednesday, at 1 pm in the Union Ballroom, to clear up certain obstacles in the constitution.

Bress To Give Violin Recital

In the fourth of the current season's series of SCOPE sponsored events, Ilyman Bress, the violinist, will give a recital at Moyse Hall on Friday, Feb. 26, at 8:30 pm.

Papineau Cup Finals Today

"If we don't, who will?" is the topic for the final of the Papineau Public Speaking Cup to be held at one o'clock in the Union Clubroom this afternoon.

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European Scholarships

\$4,000 or \$2,000 scholarships already received distinction in are available for qualified students who wish to study in France or the Netherlands. They are awarded yearly by the Royal Society of Canada.

Australian High Commissioner Visits University

Sir Douglas Copland, High Commissioner for Australia, is visiting the university and is the guest of Principal James. He was formerly the principal and vice-chancellor of the Australian National University. He gave a seminar yesterday in the Department of Economics and Political Science.

METRAS REFUSES COMMENT ON McMASTER QUERY

Red Grapplers Kingston Bound

By Hal Hanen

The McGill grapplers will be journeying to Kingston this weekend to partake in the tussle for the Intercollegiate Championships. The trip doesn't promise to be too fruitful! This year coach Yuhaz has had to build up his squad almost entirely of freshmen whereas the other mentors in the circuit have had a number of returning squadmen.

Wrestling, a relatively new sport at Western, is fast becoming a major sport with the Mustangs under coach Zeigler, a former wrestling coach at Yale University. Western is defending the Senior Intercollegiate crown this year and have retained such veterans on this season's squad as Captain Glynn Leysion, 13 pound champion, Ron Preston, 147 pound champion and Scotty Thompson, the reigning 167 pound king.

Varsity has high hopes that this year the Blue matmen will wrest the honors from the high-flying Mustangs. The Blue grappling mentor Kirk Wipper has had veterans Bill Bush at 157, Bob Waugh at 167, Al Miller at 177, Doug Hamilton, intercollegiate champ at 191 and Tom Hata-shita who has captained the Blue squad for 2 years, to form the nucleus of his 1954 contingent.

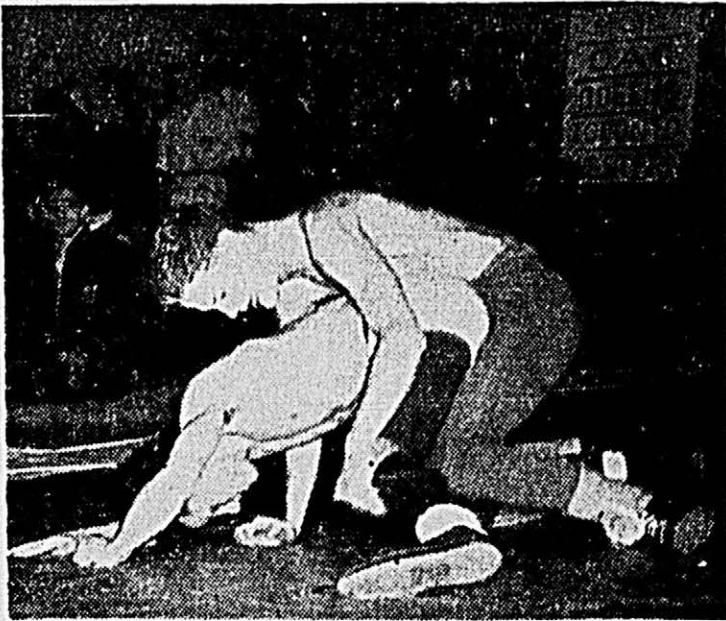
Neither Queen's nor O.A.C. appear to have the team which will cop the cup at this tournament. The University of Toronto has already handed Queen's a decisive setback when

the Toronto matmen set them behind the score of 40-3; which was the same score McGill suffered against Queen's. The Aggies fared somewhat better in their encounter with the blue-men, when they were ridden to a 24-12 defeat.

Last year, at the tournament held at McGill, Western placed first, Toronto second, O.A.C. third, McGill fourth and Queen's fifth. The Redmen walked off with two of the championships; John Lillie in the 123 pound weight class, and Hal Blewald in the 177 pound division.

Yuhaz's probable lineup for the encounter at Kingston will be: Jares, 123 lbs., Clarke, 130 lbs., Rogers, 137 lbs., Stephens at 157 lbs., Carrique at 16 lbs., Onno, 177 lbs., Hanaway, 191 lbs., and Vic Goba in the heavyweight division.

The defending champion Western Ontario will find it difficult to repeat their win of last year because of the improvement in the Toronto squad. O.A.C., Queen and Toronto will just have to wait till next year for their chance.



McGill Daily Photo Service

Toronto's bridge is falling down: That's what the fans are singing as McGill's John Lillie stays on top of Varsity's Fred Wood. Lillie went on to pin Wood and capture the intercollegiate 123 pound class title for the Redmen in the 1953 championships held in Montreal.

Metras Makes Mayhem With Western Wage Cut

By Mitch Klein

Western, Feb. 21: The Western Athletic Department today issued its weekly accounting statements, and for the first time in weeks, a profit was shown. This is mainly due to the fact that following their poor showing in Montreal, Coach Metras gave all his boys a severe salary cut, while limiting them to 25 dollars for meal money and 50 for expenses during their two day stay in Montreal.

The players, unaccustomed to such dastardly treatment, have responded to this heretofore unheard of deed, in various manners. Some have faced the inevitable, and have curtailed their diet to two steaks a day. Others have realized the tough situation that they are in, and have secured jobs through the Athletics department—ushering in cheerleaderette practice, and counting touchdowns when the Mustangs play football.

The players are speechless, to say the least. Their sentiments can be summed up by their star forward when he said, "It's not the money, it's the amount."

The players face quite a crisis. They are scheduled to play in Toronto this week, and most of the players are desperately trying to round up some extra cash for the trip. They want no repetition of the Montreal fiasco, when the players were so short of cash, they were forced to walk home from the Chez Paree to the Mount Royal, a distance of two blocks (some were carried).

Meanwhile, comment on the situation from other Western athletes is varied. Most of them sympathize with the hoopers,

realizing the tight pinch to which they are being subjected. The football players well remember the extreme punishment given by coach Metras following their stuning loss to McGill. They were forced to eat their breakfast at training table by 11:00, and each player was forced to attend at least one lecture a day, while the two freshmen given each player for his homework and incidental tasks, were taken away for a week.

The footballers quickly snapped out of their lethargy, and won the Yates Trophy the following game against Toronto. This Wednesday, the Mustangs also tangle with the Blues. Let's hope OUR Boys snap out of it, and pull a repeat performance. Remember boys, for the glory of old Western U. get out there and rack them up. Boys it's the salaries that are at stake.

Coed Fencing Highlights....

The Intramural Fencing Tournament held three weeks ago was closely contested. Joan Balnes emerged the winner with Jane Chatten and Aline Avar as the close runners up.

The team which fought against St. Lawrence on January 30 was composed of Joan Balnes, Jane Chatten, Aline Avar, Nancy Roscoe, and Helen Werner. These girls will also go down to St. Lawrence on March 6th for the return match.

On February 11th the Metropolitan Novice Tournament (class 'C') was held. Joan Balnes again was the winner. Nancy Roscoe, Alison Cob'ean, Helen Werner, and Elaine Newman also took part.

The Silver Foil Handicap Tournament is being held at Westmount 'Y' on February 27th. It is a 'mixed' event.

Regular practices are held Mondays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 so that everyone may keep in condition for the forthcoming tournaments.

What's Happening...

EXTRAMURAL FESTIVAL
Intramural Champions from Loyola, Sir George Williams, Macdonald and McGill will compete for the Extramural Championship trophy on March 3, at the Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium.

The competitions will include Basketball, Volleyball and Floor Hockey and will be conducted on a single round robin basis. During intermission of the first round, two representatives from each college will compete in a foul shooting contest.

This is the first time in history that more than two colleges have competed on the Intramural level in Eastern Canada.

The Intramural Award presentation will take place during intermission. All team managers of championship teams, team members of championship teams and individual winners are asked to be present at the Currie Gym March 3 at 8 pm.

Coach's Statement Points To Dissension In Western Ranks

By Irwin Lewis

A half-time interview with John Metras, at the McGill-Western Basketball game Friday, concerning McMaster's ouster from the Intercollegiate Football League, resulted in a statement by the Mustang mentor which led us to believe that dissension exists in the Athletic ranks at the University of Western Ontario.

Asked For Opinion

Metras was asked for his personal opinion on the current controversy arising from McMaster's expulsion. He refused to comment directly hiding behind the feeble excuse that he was in no way concerned with the Athletic policies and knew nothing about them.

Obviously if Metras was in full agreement with the Western policy, backing Queens and Toronto he would not have hesitated to state that his views coincided with those of the Athletics Board. But, the Western coach was happy with "beating around the bush" thus pointing to dissension amongst the Athletic powers that be, over in London Ontario.

Decisions Made

The student bodies at Western and Varsity have already come out against the decisions of their Universities in ousting the Marauders. As an example, one of the letters to the editor in the Varsity contained the following, "I know that the students at McMaster were very disappointed and amazed when they learned that their University was not to be included in the league next year". And so it goes, John Metras, in a far more vulnerable position than a student who wishes to express his views via a letter to the editor, must watch what he says in public, being careful not to offend the people who pay his salary.

The Western basketball coach obviously has his own

views on the subject, however they are not for publication at this time. If, on the other hand he personally agreed with the Western policy, why wouldn't he come out and admit it directly. One could say that he was playing it cagey, knowing that statement either way would make enemies for himself. By coming out against the Western decision, he wouldn't exactly endear himself to the Athletics board there. On the other hand, by agreeing with the McMaster ouster, he would

find a new batch of enemies in Hamilton, Montreal (if there are any friends left, besides the high-school football player reported headed to London next season) and Toronto.

Hot Water
The way things stand at the moment, Mr. Metras is in hot water, with no one to turn to, but the fact staring everyone in the face shows that the Mustang coach has his doubts on the wisdom of the Hamilton crew being dropped from the league.

Indians Loose Upset Hoopla Tilt To Meds

By Peter Regenstein

Led by Jim Hebert and Jim White, Med 1A turned in a superb effort turning back the favoured Intermediate cage squad 36-25 in an abbreviated tilt. In reality, the doctors were the ones who should have been favoured as on last night's performance look as if they could supply even the Seniors with some stiff competition.

Right from the outset, it was evident that an upset was in the making as the Meds quickly jumped into an 11-4 lead and held their own from then on. It was not a full game in the true sense of the word as the agreement between the two squads called for 10 minute quarters running time, that is, no stopping the clock for any reason whatsoever. Meds took full advantage of this entente in the fourth canto when with a mere two minutes to go, they called a time out thereby assuring themselves of the victory.

The game found the Meds right on with almost every shot, while the Indians, at a disadvantage due to the absence of Bob Hutton and Donny Rae, just couldn't seem to get their game into proper gear. Besides the pressure was, of course, on the Inters. The Meds had everything to gain and nothing to lose while it was vice versa the regulars. This is the same reason that the Indians always manage to show well against the Seniors in practice sessions as the Redmen reputation is at stake with every play.

High man for the joust was the aforementioned Jim Hebert, who was a sensation at Bowdin College in Maine where he holds hoopla scoring records, with a fine total of 15 points considering the length of the game. Jim White ably added scoring support with 10 markers. Leading the losers cause was Mitch Klein who popped 8 points through the hoop all from outside. The usually dependable Ozzie Zommers again excelled as he controlled both backboards even though he did not hit in the high figures. The

rest of the Meds showed definite in contrast to the Indians who seemed to be stale after Saturday's trip to Bishops.

Next contest on the agenda for the school representatives is against Macdonald this Saturday evening in the gym in the prelim to the Senior encounter with Assumption.

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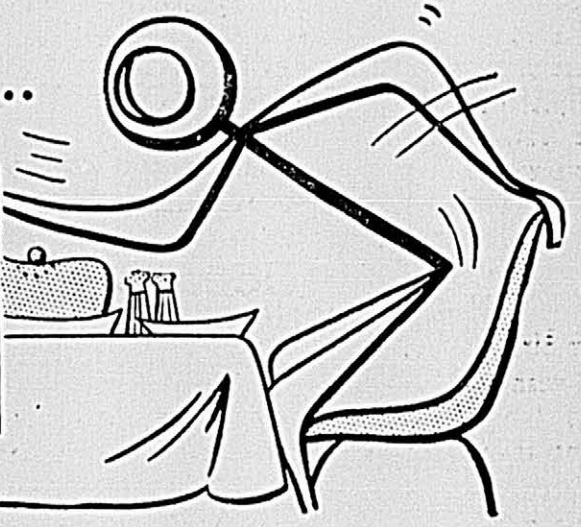
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The famous trainer "Elephant Bill", otherwise Col. J. H. Williams, tells of one named Miss Smooth whom he treated for tiger-claw wounds. Months after, Miss Smooth recognized her benefactor from afar and came trotting over to show him how her back had healed.

Then there's Nona in the Johannesburg Zoo who was carrying children around when a sheet of paper blew across her face. From that time on, she refused to have anything to do with kids.

And how about the circus elephant whose trunk was pricked by a tailor's needle? Two years later, when the circus was back in town and the parade was passing the tailor's shop, the elephant filled his trunk with muddy water and blew it through the door.

Memory is strange. Often a simple sound or phrase will stir it to the depths. Say "Make Mine Molson's" to an elephant and it means less than peanuts. But whisper it in the presence of an ale connoisseur and watch his face light up. These magic words have meant exquisite bouquet and flavour since 1786. Today more Canadians use it to recall past pleasures, and to anticipate new ones, than ask for any other brand.

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Red and White Producer Thanks Many Co-Workers

This is an open letter of thanks to those who worked untiringly for the success of the 1954 Red and White Revue. Everyone appreciates the work of the Producers, Directors, and actors, but there are many others without whom the show could not have materialized.

The first series of thanks go to members of the executive, who began working first, and finished last. To the assistant producer, Doug Turner, who had the very thankless and unrewarding duty of correcting the mistakes of others, and straightening out the hundreds of difficulties in the show. He did a difficult job extremely well.

Thanks go to the technical director, Neil Madden. Neil's brilliant job of coordinating the sets, lights, and technical effects did not go unnoticed by appreciative members of the audience... to the imaginative John Vipond who sold the show, and was in a large part responsible for the tremendous sale of tickets... to Mitch Klein who did his darndest to keep the show out of trouble with the SEC... to Barb Fraser who handled the personnel.

More thanks to Beverley Bartram, the Revue's right hand... Dick Purser who headed a committee of nine and coordinated the script into a coherent whole... to Howie Bacal, who was musical coordinator and conductor... to Wendy Whalley and Althea Douglas and their hard working committee who planned and sewed the costumes.

There are even more unsung heroes: David Howard, Dave Grier and Dave Farley handled the lighting and technical management... Andy Reid had the very difficult task of printing the programme and was in charge of all the advertising that went into it... Peter Saltzer took care of the publicity for all the major city papers... the time that Jim Donville put into the show is now legendary... Kay Smith had the friend-losing job of House Manager, and came through alive.

The main word in the production was teamwork. Actors, stage crews, script and music coordinators all worked together in the production and presentation of "Love Amies". To the innumerable others without whom the show could never have reached the public, thanks, and thanks again. That gratitude is due our Director and Choreographer is certain. They bore the brunt of the responsibility and the burden of work, and ultimately molded the show. The Revue could have done nothing without them. To these and all the others, most humble and sincere gratitude.

Bernie Rothman

NOTICE

Staffers who have ordered crests may pick up same, Tuesday, 1-2 p.m. and Wednesday 1-2 p.m. in the Daily Office. New orders will be accepted at this time. This will be the last for ordering.

E.U.S. NOMINATIONS

Nominations are hereby called for the following officers of the Engineering Undergraduate Society of McGill University:

President
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President

Nominees for the above three positions must be presently in Engineering IV-M.

Secretary
Treasurer

Nominees for the above two positions must be presently in Engineering III-M.

ATHLETICS REPRESENTATIVE

Who may be a nominee from any year of Engineering. Nominations for the President must be signed by at least 25 active members of the E.U.S. and for the other officers must be signed by at least 10 active members of the E.U.S.

All who sign must be in good standing in the E.U.S.

Nominations must be submitted in writing to the Students' Council Office in the McGill Union or to Bill Sauvé in the Engineering Bldg. Each nomination must be accepted and signed by the nominee. Nominations close at 4 p.m. Wednesday, February 24.

Photographs, platforms and pen sketches must be submitted with the nomination to the Students' Council office or to Bill Sauvé.

Elections Wednesday, March 3, 1954

DIDJA KNOW THAT —

... An Englishman, whose name does not appear in the histories, originated water polo in 1870 or thereabouts. It gained slowly, but surely, in popularity, but for almost a quarter of a century was played under haphazard rules, the basic one seeming to be to "dunk" an opponent with the ball long enough so that he had to choose between releasing the ball, or suffocating.

LOST

Would the person who found a K & E slide-rule on the campus last week please phone Bert at EL 9821. Reward.

coming EVENTS

Items for this column must be typed on a special form obtainable at the Tuck Shop and deposited in the Daily Mail box by the Student's Council Office in the hallway of the Union by one o'clock the day before the item is to appear. The deadline for Monday's paper is one o'clock Friday. Only brief items can be published in this column. Each event may be announced twice only in this paper.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

MUSIC CLUB: A recorded concert of Beethoven 1st and 8th symphonies will be held at 1 p.m. at the new club room.

RED WING SOCIETY: A meeting will be held at 1:15 at the M.W.S.A.A. office.

MCGILL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: A talk by Dr. Reid on "The Meaning of Time" will be given at 5:00 p.m. at Student House, 3445 Peel St.

M.O.C.: An executive meeting will be held in the Union Salon at 1-2 p.m.

RADIO WORKSHOP: A meeting with the station commercial manager and with Mike Wood for musical programming will be held at C.F.C.F. studio "A" at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

C.F.C. CLUB: A meeting to discuss important business, for members only, will be held at the club room of the union.

MONTREGIAN GEOLOGY CLUB: General meeting to discuss proposed party next Friday night and to elect next year's executive will be held at 1:00 p.m. at Room 106 of the Physical Sciences Centre.

CHORAL SOCIETY: A regular rehearsal for all members at 5 p.m. at Divinity Hall. Please be on time.

CAMERA CLUB: "Print of the Year Contest". The contest will be judged by Mr. Frank Hopkins, at 8 p.m. at the Union New Clubroom. The entries will be exhibited in the Redpath Library from March 1st to 7th.

UKRAINIAN CLUB: There will be a reading of Ukrainian literature at the Union Boardroom at 1 p.m.

NEWMAN CLUB: Mass will be celebrated at 5:05 in the Chapel of the Newman House, 2049 McGill College.

ARTS AND SCIENCE DEBATING: Ralph Ordower and Jack Winter vs. Peter Braunstein and Sam Goldenberg. Topic: "Resolved that the world is a better place to live in today than it was at the turn of this century."

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY: There will be a discussion on "Man and Judaism" at 8 p.m. in the Union Clubroom.

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB: There will be a regular meeting at 1 p.m. in room 61-B of the Engineering Building. All are welcome.

LIBERAL CLUB: There will be a general meeting at 1 p.m. in the new club room.

ELECTRICAL CLUB: A regular meeting and films "Electronic Light" and "A Summer Storm" furnished by Westinghouse Co. will be shown, at 1 p.m. in room 37 of the Engineering Building.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

L.P.P. CLUB: Annual Marxist Bookfair will be held all day in the Union Clubroom. A complete selection of books and pamphlets by Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin, and others, will be on sale for nominal prices.

MEDS. TAKE NOTE I

Sophomore A.S.U.S. Debate Won By Gelber and Dines

By Barbara Usher

Herman Gelber and Milton Dines to become the second year ASUS debating champion Monday noon (defeated the finalist team of Kathy Young and Colleen Cool). The topic was, "Resolved that the Padlock Law be Repealed", and the chairman was Danny Usher.

The attack was opened by Herman Gelber of the affirmative, who was judged the best speaker of the afternoon. He pointed out some defects of the Padlock Law, among them the fact that there is virtually no appeal from an accusation, which makes such an action most undemocratic. In his main argument Herman contended that, since there is no accepted definition of a Communist, the judge of this is left up to the government, i.e. Duplessis, who may merely be using the law to serve his own purposes. Milton Dines further enlarged the points which his colleague had brought out, as well as explaining that the Padlock Law is only serving to drive the Communists underground, while infringing upon the democratic liberties of a free people — the inhabitants of Quebec.

Kathy Young and Colleen Cool, speaking for the negative, were unable to refute some of the arguments of their opponents, but did manage to introduce a few good points of their own. Kathy remarked that the law under discussion is safeguarding the rights of the people; she felt

FOUND

A Zippo cigarette lighter was found on the campus. Call Mary at BE 7351.

LOST

At the Currie gym on Saturday night, 1 rhinestone earring. Finder please phone Peter at EL 2688.

It would be poor diplomatic policy to repeal such an act, and so hand an open invitation to the Communists. Colleen was of the opinion that, in enforcing this law, Quebec is taking a positive step forward in the right direction — the enacting of security measures against the Communists and the installation of fear in her citizens of that political group.

Isidore Yablon, president of ASUS debating, judged the debate Wednesday noon will see another freshman contest, when Peter Braunstein and Mervin Goldenberg meet Jackie Winter and Ralph Ordower to argue on the subject, "Resolved that the World of to-day is a Better Place to live in than it was Fifty Years Ago."



Mock Lawyers Appeal Case

Legal history was made on Monday night as four McGill law students, Perry Meyer, Hamilton Quail, Murray Spegal, and Andre Laframboise, sat with Mr. Justice G. Miller Hyde on the bench of the Court of Appeal in a special session.

The case — Harold Thompson vs. Henry Capp et al — is an appeal from a judgement rendered in the 1952 McGill Mock Trials. At that trial W. C. J. Meredith, QC, Dean of the Law Faculty, condemned three fictitious defendants to pay \$1,781.45 in damages to Mr. Thompson,

whose minor son had suffered injuries in an automobile accident. Mr. Justice Hyde welcomed the four McGill students to the bench of the Court of Appeal, saying to those who were about to present their cases, that it was well for them to "know the law as you will help interpret it, and not just as you read it."

Although they were new on the job, the students got down to business immediately, and throughout the evening, they asked questions on fact and on law, as judges are prone to do.

In presenting their cases to the court, the appellants urged that Dean Meredith's judgement should be upset because "the learned judge erred in the interpretation of the facts and in the deduction of legal consequences thereof."

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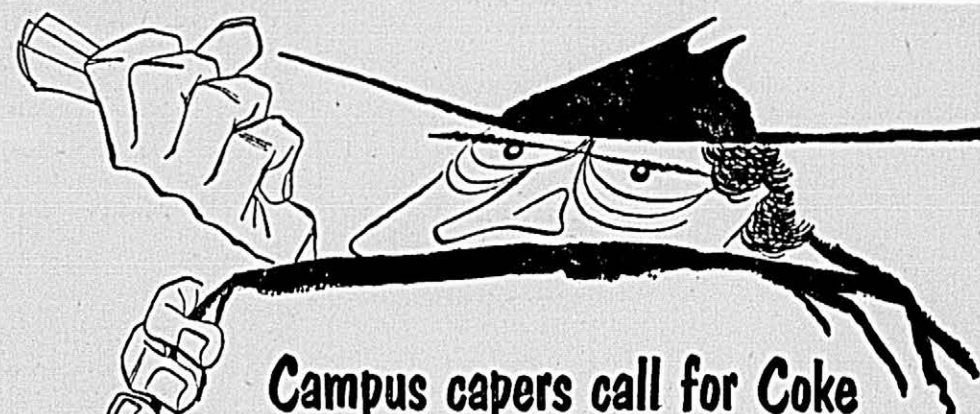
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Before the case is finished, eight students will have represented the three appellants and the respondent. This number of attorneys is the only departure from custom in the Court of Appeal, where generally two lawyers may appear for the appellant and only one for the respondent.



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CANADA'S MARVELLOUS DEVELOPMENT

The year 1953 will have been the culminating point of a period of wonderful economic expansion for Canada. The combined results for the year of its product and services reached the unprecedented figure of \$24,200,000,000; exceeding, the average, already exceptional, of the past five years, the investment of new capital has risen to 23% of the nation's entire production. The employed labor force consisted of about 5,200,000 people, and they received out of the entire national income \$12,000,000,000 or about 63%. The price level of consumer goods was steady with a weak tendency in foodstuffs and clothing, whilst the upgrade in average hourly earnings continued to strengthen. The living standard has made considerable progress within the last eight years; hourly earnings have increased two-fold whilst the cost of living increased only from 75 to 116.2 points and the average work week fell from 44.3 to 41.1 hours in industrial plants.

This prodigious economic and social expansion was paired with an inevitable inflation in our monetary circulation, so that a restatement of values is essential if we are to have any precise notion of the real picture. It remains true nevertheless that, all things considered, national production figured in real money has increased by 4% per annum since the end of the last world war. This is a marvelous development for such an important period.

SOME EVIDENCE OF CORRECTION

We have taken the habit of looking upon a weakening in farm prices as the forerunner of less prosperous times. The alarm was given and the subsequent events have followed the preconceived course, as witness the increase of the unemployed in quite a number of regions throughout the country. This break in prices is attributable in a great measure to a series of good crops; but it must not be lost sight of that the war-torn nations have made heroic efforts to re-establish their economy and that, with the help of American contributions, they have been enabled to rebuild their instruments of alimentary production. The contraction of foreign markets necessarily entails accumulations of surplus supplies and consequent reduction in prices. Thus the consumer benefits by lower living costs, but the reduction in revenue of the farmers threatens to infect the industrial sector as it has infected their own.

THE STRUGGLE AGAINST UNEMPLOYMENT

To ward off the danger the Governments expect to have recourse to the arsenal of classic methods so as to infuse new vigor into the national economy with a view to eliminating the evil at its source. Social security measures are already stabilizing living conditions by means of family allowances, old age and veterans' pensions and still more direct, by unemployment insurance. The State can also intervene by reducing taxation and providing employment by public works, easing of credit and cheaper money. The management of the public debt is also a powerful weapon to control the national economy; there is nothing to prevent the State from adopting a policy of deficitary financing when it deems it necessary.

New borrowing facilities for housing are announced, a gesture which is both opportune and useful. There is still a paucity of housing; a substantial increase in property owners would bring about stability in public thinking and public morals. On the other hand, building has an interest for all industries and there is no doubt that any initiative in this domain would provide work for quite a number of people heretofore engaged in our industrial expansion.

A FEW OBSTACLES IN THE WAY

It is undeniable that any and all of these measures would contribute to retard the upsurge of unhappy situations and to soften the resulting blows, but I do not think it is possible to prevent certain psychological factors from operating in an opposite direction. Human labour is not adaptable enough to move with ease from one task to another; we must also deal with the small concerns which have not the means to build up a reserve and which goes under to the great distress of their homes at the first economic blast, however mild it might be. Many of those who only venture into real estate deals because of over-optimistic credit conditions are in the same boat with the shaky industries which are engulfed by the first waves of adversity. As soon as the balance between profits and expenses is broken, the small landowner finds himself threatened with liquidation in the same manner as the weak trader or industrialist, and the break in prices creates unforeseen embarrassment for those citizen groups who heretofore were entrenched in much safer positions.

UNDUE ABUSE OF LEISURE

It is unfortunate to find that such a large number of people lack the wisdom to take advantage of the exceptional conditions of the last few years, and to accumulate the little capital that would have been necessary to provide for their future. The wise amongst them had acquired the salutary habit of putting aside certain savings out of their earnings, and they are now in a position to face life with ease and security. Many others, particularly amongst the young, find themselves after many years of prosperity in the same precarious condition as when they first started out in life, and one is puzzled to know how they expect to find happiness when the time comes to marry and they are faced with household expenses. The wanton waste of leisure and the frantic pursuit of costly amusements will have dissipated in advance the resources which are necessary for the building up of a reasonable career, the stability of the family and the equilibrium of society at large. The bane of our times is that, favoured by modern progress and prosperity, the notion of conscientious work has been obscured and the sense of personal responsibility has faded. For a too great number of people, of good or bad faith, trouble and want are no longer due to the improvidence and fault of the individual, but are caused by the social structure. The Belgian philosopher, very wisely, writes "Nothing happens to us that is not of the same nature as ourselves".

Modern opinion does not accept that view; families transfer their responsibilities to society, and too many people blame the State for their misery instead of acknowledging with humility that they are the artisans of their own misfortunes.

CREDIT AND THE SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

Consumer credit, which is the antipode of thrift, is in a large measure responsible for popular imprudence. It is logical to find, at the end of a long period of full employment, that the volume of merchandise sold on the instalment plan has reached unprecedented heights. Consumer credit has almost doubled within the last eighteen months; at the year end instalment buying alone had piled up a debt of \$800,000,000. If we lack the foresight and courage to build up our own initial capital by a program of systematic savings, we should at least see the danger to which we expose ourselves by incurring debt, at high prices, when current events offer no assurance of future income or employment. On the other hand, the abuse of instalment buying is of no help to the community because the momentary upsurge of credit buying leads inevitably to a buyer's strike at the very time when purchasing power would be needed for the maintenance of production and employment. The common-weal deserves more co-operation from public opinion. Present day society has within it so many adventurers that it is not surprising that we find so many ruined families nor that we hear more bitter recriminations than salutary resolutions.

Happily the army of thoughtful citizens continues to foster the infallible resources of work, thrift and temperance. They are banking on personal effort because they know it is the real source of all wealth; they practise thrift because prudence is the cornerstone of comfort for the family, and of order in society at large.

THE LESSON OF A GREAT NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Canada has undergone a marvellous development. Our country produces about twice as much as before the war and a little more than double as compared with the memorable production of 1929. Per capita of its population it produces 60% more than in 1939, an evident indication of betterment in the standard of living. The value of goods and services has reached a cumulative total of almost \$135,000,000,000 for the past eight years. But it is well to remember that we could never have kept up the pace if industry had not succeeded in mobilizing the savings of millions of our citizens, and if it had not thrown its own reserves into the melting pot by utilizing its depreciations and a large slice of its profits. To insure the expansion of production which is the source of employment, the source of new profits and of comfort for the entire population, it needed new capital; and annual investments have in fact reached 20% of national production. The increase in production is, therefore, not the result of spontaneous generation. The individual plan should be drafted along the same lines. If each one of us does not save out of his profits whatever is necessary to make his efforts more effective, he will simply remain in the same rut, and through his own fault he will allow his more courageous neighbour to get ahead of him. Let us try to be numbered among those who have the pride to save themselves. In face of the parasites and the derelicts who constitute the inevitable burden of the national community, we must augment year by year the number of those who are sufficient unto themselves. It is only thus that we shall build for our children a happy and greater Canada.